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COURSE GUIDE

The purpose of this course is to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the Russian language and culture. The course is designed for students who are interested in the study of Russian and who wish to develop their proficiency in the language.

There are a number of reasons why it is important to study Russian. First, it is one of the most widely spoken languages in the world. Second, it is a language of great cultural and historical significance. Third, it is a language that is becoming increasingly important in the world of international relations and business.

The course is designed to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of the Russian language and culture. The course is divided into two main parts: the first part covers the basic grammar and vocabulary of the language, and the second part covers the history and culture of Russia. The course is designed to be completed over a period of two years.

The following Academic and Professional Programs are available to students who are interested in the study of Russian. The first program is the Bachelor of Arts in Russian Studies. The second program is the Bachelor of Science in Russian Studies. The third program is the Master of Arts in Russian Studies. The fourth program is the Doctor of Philosophy in Russian Studies.

A student who is interested in the study of Russian should consult with the Academic Advisor in the Department of Russian Studies. The Academic Advisor will provide information about the various programs and courses available to students who are interested in the study of Russian.

Concordia University's Centre for Interdisciplinary Studies offers a BA Honours Programme in Russian Studies and a BA Major Programme in Russian Studies.

There are a number of reasons to learn Russian, far too many to mention here. But one should consider the following: 250 million people living in one-sixth of the world's territory speak Russian. This places Russian among the first three languages of the world.

The Soviet Union plays a vital role in international affairs. The political situation today demands that we be informed about all aspects of Soviet life; therefore, the study of Russian should not be limited to specialists alone.

The following Academic and Professional Careers are open to those who have acquired an adequate knowledge of Russian: language teaching, graduate work in Russian Studies, librarianship, translation, positions with External Affairs or the Civil Service, and jobs in trade and commerce involving the Soviet Union and Canada.

A knowledge of Russian could help promote scientific and technical cooperation. Twenty eight percent of the world's scientific literature is published in Russian, which can be read by few Canadian scientists. As exchanges of scientists

and technical experts between Canada and the U.S.S.R. increase, the help of interpreters and translators will be required.

Russian culture and civilization has produced world-renowned authors, composers, scientists and artists. The work of such great writers as Pushkin, Dostoyevsky, Tolstoy, Chekhov, Pasternak and Solzhenizyn constitute an invaluable contribution to our literary heritage. Famous names in music include Tchaikovsky, Rimsky-Korsakov, Starvinsky, Prokofiev; in science, Medelejev, Pavlov, Zialkovsky; in art,

Schaljapin, Pavlova, Djagilev and the Bolshoi Ballet.

The U.S.S.R. plays a role foremost important in the world of sports: hockey games and the upcoming Olympics.

University students now have the opportunity to spend holidays abroad and take part in cultural, technical, and educational exchanges. The visitor who knows Russian before going to the U.S.S.R. can benefit much more from his stay in the country than someone who does not know the language.

For a few years the students of Concordia University's Russian Studies programme had the opportunity to take field trips to the Soviet Union during the winter holidays. In the spring of 1979 Concordia University offered the opportunity to attend the Music Festival in the U.S.S.R.

For your convenience, we are listing below the courses from both programmes which are offered during the fall-winter sessions of 1979-80.

For further information, please call the Coordinator, Professor A.T. Sidorow at (514) 879-4330.

RUSSIAN C210 - 6 credits
INTRODUCTORY COURSE IN RUSSIAN I

Instructor:	T. Khalil	Sec. XX	Tue. 18:05-20:10
		Lab. AA	Tue. 17:05-17:55
		Lab. BB	Tue. 20:25-21:15

Description: A beginners course in the Russian language, which is designed in one year to acquaint the student with the pronunciation, main grammatical aspects and basic vocabulary. The emphasis is placed upon learning how to speak, read and write Russian. (One hour laboratory per week).

Texts: G. Stilman and W. Harkins - Introductory Russian Grammar.

Assignments: Grammar assignments written and oral, for class work and laboratory, reading and conversation will be based on Introductory Russian Grammar.

Prerequisite: Permission of the Department.

RUSSIAN C211 - 3 credits
INTRODUCTORY COURSE IN RUSSIAN II

Instructor:	T. Khalil	Sec. XX	Tue. 18:05-20:10
		Lab. AA	Tue. 17:05-17:55
		Lab. BB	Tue. 20:25-21:15

Description: This course is equivalent to the second term of Russian C210. It is designed for students who have taken some Russian at the CEGEP level or equivalent. (One hour laboratory per week).

Texts: G. Stilman and W. Harkins - Introductory Russian Grammar.

Assignments: Grammar assignments written and oral for class work and laboratory, reading and conversation will be based on Introductory Russian Grammar.

Prerequisite: Permission of the Department.

RUSSIAN C220 - 6 credits

INTRODUCTION TO RUSSIAN STUDIES I

Instructor: To be announced Sec. XX Thur. 18:08-20:10
 Lab. AA Thur. 17:05-17:55
 Lab. BB Thur. 20:25-21:15

Description: An introductory language course which develops all basic skills. Emphasis on the audio-lingual approach, i.e., on speaking and understanding. May be taken concurrently with Russian C210 and/or Russian C235. (One hour laboratory per week).

Texts: E. Stepanova - Russian For Everybody.

Assignments: Oral assignments for class work and laboratory. Reading and conversation will be based on Russian For Everybody.

Prerequisite: Permission of the Department.

RUSSIAN C221 - 3 credits

INTRODUCTION TO RUSSIAN STUDIES II

Instructor: To be announced Sec. XX Thur. 18:05-20:10
 Lab. AA Thur. 17:05-17:55
 Lab. BB Thur. 20:25-21:15

Description: This course is equivalent to the second term of Russian C220. It is designed for students who have taken some Russian at the CEGEP level or equivalent. May be taken concurrently with Russian C211 or Russian C235. (One hour laboratory per week).

Texts: E. Stepanova - Russian For Everybody.

Assignments: Oral assignments for class and laboratory. Reading and conversation will be based on Russian For Everybody.

Prerequisite: Permission of the Department.

RUSSIAN C250 - 6 credits

INTERMEDIATE COURSE IN RUSSIAN

Instructor: To be announced Sec. XX Tue. 18:05-20:10
 Lab. AA Tue. 20:25-21:15
 Lab. BB Tue. 17:05-17:55

Description: This intermediate course consists of a complete review of Russian grammar, advanced translation, composition, reading and conversation. Through reading of short stories and additional material, the student is given the opportunity to get acquainted with Russian culture and literature.

Texts: R.A. Domar - Basic Russian Part II.
 S. Khavronina - Russian as we speak it.

Assignments: Grammar assignments written and oral will be based on Basic Russian Part II. Conversation and oral expression will be based on Russian as we speak it.

Prerequisite: Russian C210 or equivalent.

RUSSIAN C300 - 6 credits

ADVANCED RUSSIAN LANGUAGE AND STYLISTICS

Instructor: A.T. Sidorow Sec. AA Wed. 18:05-20:10
Description: This course is intended to give increased fluency and a firmer command of the language. The emphasis of this course is on stylistics and composition. Through additional reading the student is given the opportunity to become acquainted with the various aspects of Russian Civilization. Selected texts will be discussed and analyzed in Russian.
Texts: G. Davydoff and P. Pauliat - 50 Devoires de Russe, Civilization and Litterature Russes.
D. Rosenthal - Practical Stylistics of Russian.
Assignments: Written compositions, stylistical analyses of reading texts, discussion of the texts in Russian.
Prerequisite: Russian C250 or permission of the Instructor.

RUSSIAN C420 - 6 credits **

INTRODUCTION TO THE 19th CENTURY RUSSIAN LITERATURE THROUGH THE SHORT STORY

Instructor: A.T. Sidorow Sec. AA Mon. 20:25-22:30
Description: The short story will be used both as a subject for literary study and as a reflection of the history and social preoccupations of the period.
Texts: See Department for Booklist.
Assignments: Essay-type assignments and tests will be given.
Prerequisite: Russian C250 or equivalent.

RUSSIAN C430 - 6 credits **

SOVIET LITERATURE

Instructor: A.T. Sidorow Sec. AA Thur. 18:05-20:10

NOTE: ** This course will not be given in 1980-81.

Description: A general survey of Soviet prose, drama and poetry from 1917 to the present day. The aim of this course is to familiarize the student not only with the literature itself, but also with its origin and development.

Texts: See Department.

Prerequisite: Russian C250 or equivalent.

HISTORY C218 - 6 credits

HISTORY OF EUROPE IN THE MODERN WORLD

Instructor: I. Smith Sec. AA Wed. 18:05-20:10
Description: A survey of the history of European civilization. An attempt is made to present and analyze in an integrated way all aspects of European society and culture in its rise to a dominant world position.

Texts: To be recommended by the Instructor.

Prerequisites: None.

HISTORY C347 - 6 credits

HISTORY OF RUSSIA

Instructor: I. Smith Sec. AA Mon. 18:05-20:10
Description: This course traces the origin of the Slavic-speaking peoples in Europe and the emergence of the Russian Empire. After a discussion of the ideology and history of Bolshevism, it studies the history of communist government in the U.S.S.R. and among the Slavic peoples.

Texts: To be recommended by the Instructor.

Prerequisite: History C218.

POLITICAL SCIENCE C333 - 3 credits

THE GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS OF THE SOVIET UNION

Instructor: L. Laszlo Sec. AA Wed. 20:25-22:30
Description: A study of the government and politics of the Soviet Union. Discussion of the basic theories of Communism and the evolution of the Soviet System.
Texts: To be recommended by the Instructor.
Prerequisite: None.

ECONOMICS C201 - 3 credits

INTRODUCTION TO MICROECONOMICS

Instructor: There are several sections of this course - please consult the University timetable.
Description: Introduction to the functioning of the market system: concepts of supply and demand, the role of prices in resource allocation, production decisions by firms. Analysis of differences between competition and monopoly and the implications for economic efficiency; theories of labour markets and wage determination.
Texts: To be recommended by the Instructor.
Prerequisite: None.

ECONOMICS C203 - 3 credits

INTRODUCTION TO MACROECONOMICS

Instructor: There are several sections of this course - please consult the University timetable.
Description: An introductory analysis of aggregate economic activity. The focus is on the principles of determination of the level of employment, national income, real output,

inflation, and international balance of payments. The course also analyses the principles which govern the trade relations among countries. These topics are integrated by a discussion of government monetary and fiscal policies to stabilize economic activity.

Texts: To be recommended by the Instructor.
Prerequisite: None.

ECONOMICS C250 - 6 credits

INTRODUCTION TO ECONOMIC HISTORY

Instructor: To be announced Sec. 01 Tu/Th. 14:45-16:00
Description: A study of the economic development of western societies. Particular attention will be paid to Europe during the period from the sixteenth century to the present day. The aim of the course is to provide an understanding of the interconnections between social, economic and political change.
Texts: To be recommended by the Instructor.
Prerequisite: None.

ECONOMICS C375 - 3 credits

THE SOVIET ECONOMY

Instructor: To be announced. Sec. AA Tue. 18:05-20:10
Description: The evolution of the Soviet economic system and the policy adopted to deal with the problems of establishing and consolidating a social socialist state. Special attention is given to Lenin's role in the early economic measures such as the collectivization of farms. Other topics covered are the nature of economic planning and progress under Stalin,

and the important recent reforms and modifications of the Soviet system under the impact of Liberman's proposals.

Texts: To be recommended by the Instructor.

Prerequisite: Economics C201 and C203.

ECONOMICS C476 - 3 credits

MARXIST ECONOMICS

Instructor: To be announced. Sec. AA Tue. 18:05-20:10

Description: A general survey of Marxist theory, including historical and dialectical materialism.

Marx's microeconomics: labour theory of value and its classical predecessors; theory of exploitation and the Iron Law of Wages; transformation problem and price theory. Marx's macroeconomics: business cycles and the theory of capitalist development: crises and the breakdown of capitalism. Contemporary Marxism and the question of the withering away of the state.

Texts: To be recommended by the Instructor.

Prerequisite: Economics C301, C302, C303 and C304 or Economics C370, or permission of the Department.
